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For: **METHOD FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF ANTIGENIC PEPTIDES**

AMENDMENT WITH RCE AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

This RCE, Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 17, 2007, in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants timely filed an Amendment and Response to said final office action on October 10, 2007 (received by the USPTO on October 12, 2007), but have not yet received any response or advisory action from the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants hereby file this instant RCE, Amendment and Response and reiterate the remarks submitted in its timely filed Amendment and Response of October 10, 2007. Applicants respectfully request a three (3) month extension of time.

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 17, 2007, Claims 1-14 and 17-27 stand pending. Claims 15 and 28-33 stand withdrawn pursuant to restriction requirement. Please amend Claims 1, 6, 13, 14, 22 and 27 as is reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.